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## PSC TO HOST FORUM OCTOBER 25 ON DEFAULT SUPPLIER RULES

The state Public Service Commission will host a roundtable discussion Monday, October 25, on its proposed rules for the selection of default electricity suppliers. As Montana utilities make the transition to electricity supply choice, default suppliers will be needed to serve residential and small commercial electricity customers who are not served by a competitive supplier.

Under the PSC's proposed default supplier rules, the selection of default suppliers would be accomplished through a competitive bid process conducted by the PSC. The characteristics of default supply would be pre-defined by rule and the bidder submitting the lowest price would be selected.

The roundtable discussion will begin at 9:30 a.m. in the Commission's Bollinger Hearing Room, 1701 Prospect Avenue, in Helena.

Persons who intend to participate in the roundtable should notify Rhonda Simmons at the PSC by October 22, by phone at 444-6171, or by email at <a href="mailto:rsimmons@state.mt.us">rsimmons@state.mt.us</a>.

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